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A PROBABLE STYX MISSILE (SS-N-2) SUPPORT FACILITY HAS BEEN IDENTIFIED AT THE AL LADHIQYAH NAVAL BASE AL MINA AL BAYDEH, SYRIA (35-36N 035-46E). THE SUPPORT FACILITY IS IMMEDIATELY EAST OF THE NAVAL BASE AND CONSISTS OF FIVE BUILDINGS UNDER CONSTRUCTION AND A LOOPED ROAD OXIDIZER STORAGE AREA WITH THREE SMALL BUILDINGS. THE OXIDIZER STORAGE AREA WAS PRESENT IN MAY 1965. THE VISIBLE FOOTINGS AND COLUMNS OBSERVED IN AUGUST AND SEPTEMBER 1968 INDICATE THAT THE BUILDINGS UNDER CONSTRUCTION MAY BE TWO MISSILE STORAGE/HANDLING BUILDINGS, A VEHICLE SHED AND TWO UNIDENTIFIED SUPPORT BUILDINGS. NOVEMBER AND DECEMBER 1968 COVERAGE CONFIRMED THAT CONSTRUCTION WAS CONTINUING.

ALTHOUGH KOMAR CLASS PTG HAVE BEEN OBSERVED AT THIS BASE ON OVERHEAD PHOTOGRAPHY SINCE [REDACTED], NO DEFINITE MISSILE STORAGE AREA HAD BEEN IDENTIFIED. A LARGE FOUR-BAY BUILDING AT THE QUAY WAS THOUGHT TO BE FOR MISSILE STORAGE AND SUPPORT BECAUSE STYX MISSILE CRATES WERE OBSERVED BEHIND THIS BUILDING AND AN ASSEMBLED STYX MISSILE WAS OUTSIDE OF IT IN MARCH

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